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# APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES LETTERS PATENT

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As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### SIGNALLING SYSTEM

the specification of which [ X ] is attached hereto:

[ ] was filed \_\_\_\_\_, as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I claim priority benefits under 35 USC §119 of: (i) any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below; or (ii) any United States provisional application(s) listed below; and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application(s) on which priority is claimed.

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED
GREAT BRITAIN	9701165.4	21 JAN. 1997	Yes
GREAT BRITAIN	9717967.5	23 AUG. 1997	Yes
GREAT BRITAIN	9720037.2	19 SEPT. 1997	Yes
GREAT BRITAIN	9815899.1	21 JUL. 1998	Yes
GREAT BRITAIN	9825954.2	26 NOV. 1998	Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC §120 of the prior application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior application(s) in a manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application including material information which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a).

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith: Leonard Holtz, Reg. No. 22,974; Herbert Goodman, Reg. No. 17,081; Thomas Langer, Reg. No. 27,264; Marshall J. Chick, Reg. No. 26,853; Richard S. Barth, Reg. No. 23,180; Douglas Holtz, Reg. No. 33,902; and Robert P. Michal, Reg. No. 35,614.

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 Title: SIGNALLING SYSTEM

STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
 STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am:

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below;  
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below;

NAME OF CONCERN: MATRIX LIMITED

ADDRESS OF CONCERN: 34 Albany Place, Aberdeen AB10 1FY United Kingdom

1. I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern, as defined in 13 CFR 121.1301-1303, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with, the small business concern identified above with regard to the above-identified invention described in:

- ☒ the specification filed herewith; or  
☐ the application above identified; or  
☐ the patent above identified.

2. If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c), if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(a) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention availing to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

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☐ SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

☐ NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.23(b))

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DATE x 20th of July 1999

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